REQUEST FOR ACTION

To:

Mark Leary Deputy Director

Permits and Certification Division

From:

Mark de Bie, Chief

Permitting and Assistance Branch

Request Date:

December 10, 2010

Decision Subject:

Approval of the Beneficial Use of Waste Tires at First Lap Indoor Kart

Racing, Riverside County, TPID Number 1606908

On March 15, 2010, staff received the initial beneficial reuse request from Marten L. Anderson for the use of waste tires in safety barriers at the Fast Lap Indoor Kart Racing (Fast Lap), located at 3215 Corridor Drive, Mira Loma. On October 1, 2010, all of the required supporting documentation was received. Fast Lap has been using tires for safety barriers at their indoor kart racing track since opening in 2007.

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) is has regulatory oversight over the storage of 500 or more waste tires. Waste tire regulations address the storage, stockpiling, accumulation or discarding of waste tires to prevent the potential adverse effects. Title 14, California Code of Regulations, §17346(f) provides a mechanism for CalRecycle to approve the beneficial uses of waste tires if the proposed use is approved by a civil engineer and does not pose a threat to public health, safety and/or the environment. Each beneficial reuse proposal is to be considered on a case by case basis and a decision is to be made, within 90 days of receipt of an application, as to whether or not the use qualifies as a beneficial reuse of the waste tires. An approved beneficial reuse of tires is not considered tire disposal or tire storage and does not require the issuance of a waste tire facility permit.

In a memo dated March 18, 2010, Albert Johnson with CalRecycle's Statewide Technical & Analytical Research Branch documented his review and recommendation of the safety barrier plans dated March 15, 2010, prepared by Marten L. Anderson, a California registered civil engineer. Mr. Johnson determined that the engineering application of the waste tires as described in the plan provides an effective crash barrier, is a beneficial use of waste tires. Mr. Johnson confirmed that the information submitted for the beneficial reuse of waste tires meets the intent of 14 CCR 17346(f) and recommended approval of the proposed use/project.

In a letter dated May 8, 2007, Christian Hinojosa, Project Planner with the County of Riverside Planning Department, indicated that Fast Lap had obtained all appropriate use permits from the County for an indoor go kart racing track. A Mitigated Negative Declaration for Environmental Assessment, No. 41038 was adopted on April 24, 2007 by the County Board of Supervisors and the Conditional Use Permit, No. 3524 was approved by the County Board of Supervisor on April 24, 2007.

In a letter addressed to CalRecycle staff dated March 15, 2010, Marten L. Anderson, a California registered civil engineer, documented his approval of the design and application of the use of waste tires in the safety barriers at Fast Lap.

Staff Recommendation: The applicant has met all the necessary requirements outlined in 14 CCR 17346(f) pertaining to the beneficial reuse of waste tires. Therefore, staff recommends the Deputy Director approve the beneficial reuse of waste tires in the safety barriers at Fast Lap.

Deputy Director Action: On the basis of the information and analysis in this Request for Action and the findings set out in the Department staff report I approve the beneficial reuse of waste tires in the safety barriers at Fast Lap.

Dated:

Mark Leary
Deputy Director

Permits and Certification Division

Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle)